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**Fire Department
Film Previewed
Here Yesterday**

A "Punch and Trudy" film dramatizing the dangers of false alarms which send fire equipment scurrying down the streets needlessly was previewed yesterday in the courtroom of the city hall. Starring roles in the film were filled by members of the Torrance Fire Department.

Filmed here by Riviera Productions of Hollywood under the direction of Will Zens, the film portrays the activities of 16-year-old "Punch" and his six-year-old sister "Trudy."

The scene is an average size town which is being plagued by false alarms, apparently being turned in by one individual, and his eventual capture by the children.

The 12-minute film is designed to be shown to children from the kindergarten age through high school and to adults.

A story of the production and a synopsis of the film appears in the September issue of the Western City, official publication of the League of California Cities, and other municipal association of the Pacific Coast.

The Western City story, written by Torrance Fire Chief J. J. Benner, says the film is one that may be taken into the classroom with a 15-minute talk and the 12-minute movie putting over a story that would be hard to tell otherwise.

"We are proud to have been called to contribute to this production, even though the producer had our department 'on location' for four days shooting and recording sound effects," Chief Benner said.

Mrs. Nellie Hortense Homer, 65, who lived in Torrance for many years, died Saturday at the home of her son, Erward R. Price, of Redlands.

Funeral services were held yesterday at Stone and Myers Chapel conducted by the Rev. C. J. England. Interment followed at Roosevelt Cemetery in Gardena.

Mrs. Homer moved from Torrance to reside with her son three months ago. She is survived by two daughters, Hortense B. Shear and Gramma Hills, Calif., and Elsie M. Wagner of Istanbul, Turkey; two sisters, Mrs. Minnie Smith of Torrance, and Mrs. Nieves Bowers of Walnut, Calif.; a brother, Paul Martinez of Placentia, Calif.; and seven grandchildren.

**Mrs. N. Homer
Services Held**

Funeral rites for the unnamed infant daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Isaacs, of 1870 W. 218th St., will be held Saturday at 11 a.m. at the graveside in Roosevelt Cemetery, Gardena.

The child died Sunday at Torrance Memorial Hospital.

Rites For Infant Slated

**Chamber Plans
Essay Contest
For THS Seniors**

The Chamber of Commerce has sent a letter to the Board of Education requesting permission to sponsor an essay contest for Torrance High School seniors, according to Dale Isenberg, Chamber secretary.

The contest will be similar to the one held last year for seniors. If the Board grants permission, Isenberg said, THS seniors will be offered \$25 war bonds for the best essay on the subject "What can be done to make Torrance, the City of Industrial Opportunity, a better place to live, work and play?"

A bond will be given to the best essay from a boy and the best from a girl. Entries should be limited to a 250-word minimum and a 600-word maximum, Isenberg said.

The opening and closing dates of the contest and the names of the judges will be announced later.

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